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SEN. BARRY M. GOLDWATER SAID THE KERR AMENDMENT WOULD HAVE "STRENGTHENED THE SPINE OF LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES."

GOLDWATER SAID THE PEOPLE ARE "YEAR AHEAD" OF CONGRESS AND THE ADMINISTRATION IN THEIR FEELING ABOUT CASTRO. "IF WE LEFT IT UP TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO VOTE THIS AFTERNOON, WE'D BE IN CUBA TONIGHT," GOLDWATER DECLARED.

SEN. KENNETH B. KEATING TOLD THE SENATE THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS A NOTE FROM THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT PROPOSING AN AGREEMENT FOR AUTOMATIC RELEASE OF PLANES OR BOATS HIJACKED IN EITHER COUNTRY IN FUTURE. HE REGISTERED HIS PROTEST AGAINST SUCH A STEP.

QUESTIONED BY GOLDWATER, SEN. MIKE MONROE, D-OKLA., AVIATION SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, EXPLAINED THAT THE SENATE BILL APPLIES TO FOREIGNERS AS WELL AS AMERICANS WHO MAY HIJACK PLANES.

HE SAID CONSIDERATION OF KERR'S RESOLUTION SHOULD BE COUPLED WITH AN EFFORT TO CLARIFY THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE HIJACKERS OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT AND CASTRO'S DEFECTORS WHO MADE OFF FOR THE U.S. IN CUBAN PLANES AND BOATS.

HE SAID THERE WAS A WIDESPREAD IMPRESSION IN LATIN AMERICA THAT THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY HAD ENGINEERED THE DEFECTIONS. THIS FEELING SHOULD NOT BE PERMITTED TO PERSIST LEST IT FURTHER DAMAGE OUR PRESTIGE, MORSE SAID.

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